

ANAS OCCIDUA.



CHARACTER GENERICUS.

Rostrum lamelloso-dentatum, convexum, obtusum.
Lingua ciliata, obtusa.

Lin. Syst. Nat. p. 194.
· *Ord. Anseres.*

CHARACTER SPECIFICUS, &c.

ANAS albo-variata, fascia frontis occipitisque vi-
rente, pennis scapularibus falcato-dependen-
tibus, rostro-pedibusque nigris.

ANAS STELLERI.

Pall. Spic. 6. p. 35. t. 5.

Anatis perpulchra hæc species nomen habet a pa-
tria; Americæ quippe littora occidua præcipue in-
habitat. In Kamtschatka etiam invenitur, ubi in ru-
pibus inaccessis pullos suos educat. Gregatim con-
volant hæc Anates, nec unquam, ut perhibent, rivos
intract, sed in littoribus maritimis semper degunt.

A specimine eximio hujus avis in Museo Leveriano,
conservato, figuram hanc nostram depingi curavimus;
ab eodem etiam specimine figuram suam in Zoologia
Arctica expressit Pennantius. Magnitudine Anatem
Penelopen æquat.

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W E S T E R N D U C K.



GENERIC CHARACTER.

Bill broad and flattened; the edges marked with sharp lamellæ.

Tongue broad and ciliated at the edges.

SPECIFIC CHARACTER, &c.

VARIEGATED DUCK, with a frontal and occipital band of green; the scapular feathers falcated downwards; the bill and legs black.

WESTERN DUCK.

*Lath. Synops. 3. p. 532.
Pennant. Arct. Zool. p. 564.*

The beautiful species of Duck here represented, is named the Western Duck from its having been principally found on the western coasts of America; but it is likewise an inhabitant of Kamtschatka, where it breeds amongst inaccessible rocks. It is said to fly in flocks, and never to enter the mouths of rivers, but to confine itself to the sea-coasts. The elegant specimen in the Leverian Museum was the individual from which this figure was taken: Mr. PENNANT's figure of this bird in the Arctic Zoology was also drawn from the same specimen. The size of this species is nearly that of a Wigeon.



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